

House Resolution No. 1781

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of six wondrous decades has passed since Jesse James Garnett lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Elisabeth Jane Shuttleworth, during a solemn ceremony on April 22, 1944; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Jesse and Elisabeth Garnett have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include two sons and two daughters-in-law, Mark Stephen and Loretta Diann Garnett and Jay Jonathon and Karen Garnett; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; and

Whereas, Jesse Garnett has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes having had the honor and privilege of serving as a member of the Missouri House of Representative from 1986 until 1996, during which time he was Chairman of the Energy and Environment Committee; serving as President of Garnett Products since 1965, President of the Missouri Forest Products Association, President of the West Plains Chamber of Commerce, Advisory Board member at Southwest Missouri State, University-West Plains; and member of the Order of the Shrine; and

Whereas, known worldwide for her handknitted afghans, Elisabeth Garnett is a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, who has further distinguished herself since 1965 as Secretary/Treasurer of Garnett Wood Products, where she is also the Chief Controller and Forklift Operator; and

Whereas, during their sixty years together, Jesse and Elisabeth Garnett have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Garnett of Brandsville will commemorate the resplendent occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary on April 22, 2004:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Jesse and Elisabeth Garnett and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Jesse James Garnett, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Chuck Purgason
District No. 151

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1781, adopted April 15, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker